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SCFC establishes Temporary Logging Bridge Rental Program

The South Carolina Forestry Commission (SCFC) has established the **Temporary Logging Bridge Rental Program** in an effort to enhance the Best Management Practices (BMPs) for Forestry program and help protect the waters of South Carolina. The Commission has acquired four sets of steel bridges that are available for rent by adequately insured contractors for forestry-related ditch or stream crossings.

There are two types of bridges available – A 4-foot-wide set made up of three 4-foot by 30-foot bridge sections and a 6-foot-wide set composed of two 6-foot by 30-foot bridge sections. The rental fee for either set is \$50 per week, with a \$200 deposit required at the time of rental. The deposit amount will be returned or applied to the bill upon satisfactory completion of the rental period.



Log truck utilizes a temporary steel bridge to cross a perennial stream.

The bridges are located at the SCFC offices in Walterboro and Columbia. SCFC personnel will load the bridges onto contractors' trailers, but they must be secured and transported by the contractor.

In order to rent the bridges, the contractor must obtain:

- workmen's compensation insurance coverage for its own employees;
- public liability insurance with limits of \$1 million for the injury to or death of one person, and \$2 million for the injury to or death of more than one person;
- property damage insurance with limits of \$1 million arising out of a single accident and \$2 million for damage to the property of third persons.
- an insurance certificate verifying coverage and identifying SCFC as an additional insured entity is required.

To request more information or to reserve a set of bridges, please contact SCFC Environmental Programs Coordinator Holly Welch at (803) 667-0815 or hwelch@scfc.gov.

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